

Born Again and Purified to Love

1 Peter 1:22-23
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Sermon Outline

- I. The Change [Wedding]
- II. The Changes [The Marriage]
- III. The Charge [The Vow]

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1 Corinthians 6:11 (LSB)

¹¹And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

Hebrews 9:14 (LSB)

¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

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1 Peter 1:3 (LSB)

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has **caused us to be born again** to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Philippians 1:6 (LSB)

⁶For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

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1 Peter 1:1–2 (LSB)

¹Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who reside as exiles, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, **who are chosen**

²according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, **TO the obedience of Jesus Christ** and (**TO**) the sprinkling of His blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

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Hebrews 4:12 (LSB)

¹²For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Romans 10:17 (LSB)

¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

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1 John 4:20 (LSB)

²⁰If someone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.

John 13:34–35 (LSB)

³⁴“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

³⁵“By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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2 Corinthians 13:5–6 (LSB)

⁵Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith; examine yourselves! Or do you not recognize about yourselves that Jesus Christ is in you—unless indeed you fail the test?

⁶But I hope that you will realize that we ourselves do not fail the test.

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1 Corinthians 13:4–8a (LSB)

⁴Love is patient, love is kind, is not jealous, does not brag, is not puffed up;

⁵it does not act unbecomingly, does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered;

⁶it does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;

⁷it bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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Luke 22:44 (LSB)

⁴⁴And being in agony He was praying very **fervently**, and His sweat became like drops of blood, falling down upon the ground.

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